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The following is listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 and is in a non-English language:

1. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2000-222163 – The relevance of this document is discussed at page 2 of the specification of the present application.

Also, an English-language abstract of this document is enclosed.

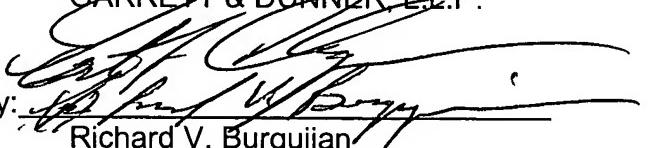
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